

Pressure on dollar eases

Pressure to devalue the dollar eased slightly in Europe yesterday, even though the currency closed below its floor in West Germany. Money markets throughout Europe remained nervous. It is feared that unilateral action to protect the dollar could touch off a new round of monetary crisis and perhaps a trade war as well. The dollar was being drawn with interest just before August, when President Nixon shocked allies by suddenly letting the float and by imposing import controls that risked retaliation from Europe and Japan.

Grades set off then was finalized in December, 1971 when the dollar was devalued. The U.S. dollar exchange rates set up by the Smithsonian agreement. The dollar was being drawn with interest just before August, when President Nixon shocked allies by suddenly letting the float and by imposing import controls that risked retaliation from Europe and Japan.

Germany central bank might announce measures to support the increased commercial liquidity resulting from the inflows of foreign funds in the last week of January. The central bank could also raise the discount rate to 6 per cent of the credit open in the central bank — the rate of last year.

The extra money which the central banks now have available and out as a result of selling dollars to the central bank will thus be effectively frozen, says a source in the international currency market. The Bank of Japan had an estimated \$500m in support of the U.S. currency.

Washington Representative Wilbur Mills called yesterday for a conference with U.S. trading partners to consider remedies for dollar's weakness, including new exchange controls.

Uganda to execute 12 on Saturday

AMPALA (Reuters). — Twelve persons sentenced to death for alleged guerrilla activities are to be executed in public by firing squads on Saturday. It was announced here at night.

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Kissinger flies to Bangkok

WASHINGTON — U.S. Presidential adviser Henry Kissinger left by air yesterday for Bangkok at the start of a journey in which he will seek a cease-fire in Laos, friendship with North Vietnam and improved relations with China.

He flew from nearby Andrews Air Force Base in a presidential jetliner for conferences in Bangkok, Vientiane, Hanoi and Peking.

Also travelling with Dr. Kissinger was William Sullivan, Assistant Secretary of State for Southeast Asian affairs, who worked closely with Kissinger at the Paris peace talks.

Dr. Kissinger made no statement before leaving, but smiled and waved to reporters as he boarded his plane.

Fighting rises in Vietnam

SAIGON — Fighting rose sharply in Vietnam in the past 24 hours and the Saigon command claimed 342 Communists killed in the first major offensive since a week of relative calm in the cease-fire.

Officials of the International Commission of Control and Supervision expressed concern at the reports of the battles, but did not think the imminent release of American prisoners of war would be affected.

A senior U.S. official said yesterday that the U.S. is planning to release 20 to 40 American prisoners from jungle camps along the Cambodian-South Vietnam border on Saturday. This would be the first group of American prisoners released in South Vietnam.

In talks in Paris, South Vietnamese and Vietnamese officials yesterday made further headway in procedural talks for ministerial negotiations on the political future of South Vietnam, and agreed to meet again on Saturday.

And in Vientiane, Laotian Interior Minister Pheng Phongsavan, told Vietnamese newspapers a cease-fire in Laos will be announced February 15.

Pheng said the government will compromise with the Pathet Lao but only within limits of the present constitution. (Reuters, AP)

Canada recognizes North Vietnam

OTTAWA (Reuters). — External Affairs Minister Mitchell Sharp announced yesterday that Canada has formally recognized the government of North Vietnam.

After midnight, Hanoi, Vietnam, President Ho Chi Minh's security adviser, has extended his stay in Moscow for 24 hours. Peace talks reported last night. (Reuters story, page 4)

Congressmen to link trade and Soviet emigration

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The House of Representatives yesterday served notice it will block trade concessions for the Soviet Union unless Moscow allows Jews and other minority groups to emigrate freely.

Wilbur Mills (Democrat, Arkansas), chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, which handles trade legislation, joined with 259 of the 435 House members to introduce legislation denying lowered tariffs and financial credits to countries that prevent their citizens from emigrating freely.

The legislation is identical to a measure introduced in the Senate last year by Senator Henry Jackson (Democrat, Washington) who told a press conference yesterday, he expects to have about 80 co-sponsors this session.

The support for the measure by Mr. Mills, one of the most powerful men in Congress, and the co-sponsorship of the members of the House, puts a firm barrier against trade concessions the Nixon administration and Moscow want in order to increase U.S.-Soviet trade.

AIMED AT TAX The measure is designed to persuade Moscow to drop the education ransom tax, under which fees of more than \$25,000 have been imposed on Russian Jews with university degrees as a prerequisite to emigrating to Israel.

Mr. Mills told a press conference: "We hope our action today will be understood by the responsible Soviet authorities as our answer to the official publication in Moscow last month of the so-called 'education tax' schedule — an outrageous price list on human beings that reduces trained and educated men and women to chattels."

Senator Jackson said if the Soviet Union cannot understand the signal implied in the legislation, there is no hope for future American-Soviet negotiations.

Iraq grants \$4m. to terrorists

JERUSALEM Post Arab Affairs Reporter. — The Palestinian terrorist movement yesterday received a \$4m. grant from the Ba'athist Government of Iraq. Baghdad radio said that the aid was designed to help escalate terrorist warfare against Israel.

It was announced a day after the terrorists complained that the bulk of the Arab states had deserted them financially.

Riot police use tear gas on striking blacks in Durban

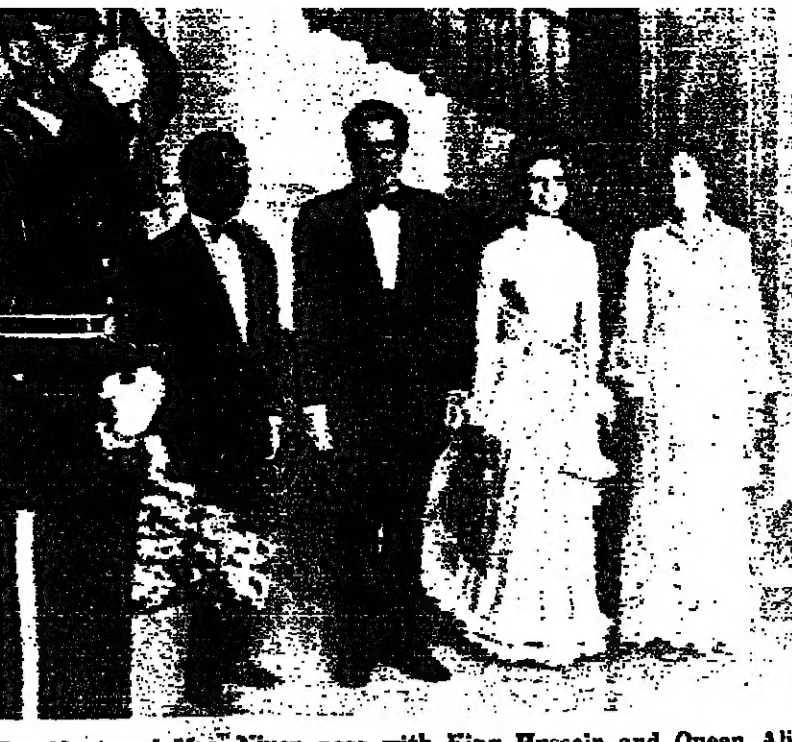
DURBAN, South Africa (AP). — Riot police went into action against striking blacks here yesterday as Durban's tense industrial situation began to look like an outright confrontation of blacks versus white authority. But there was no serious violence.

The trouble started with a rash of demands for higher pay, but by yesterday there were reports of strikes without any accompanying demands for pay increases.

At first, the strikers went on the rampage through the city centre. Police were called in and arrested 150 Africans who had been intimidating building workers.

Another element in the situation, largely seen as a potential racial powder keg, was the decision by Durban City Council to send home large numbers of its Indian staff.

The council's decision to send home large numbers of its Indian staff would be tantamount to recalling the 1948, when thousands of Africans, known as an African child, had been run down by an Asian bus, went on a two-day rampage through Durban's Indian quarter, leaving 33 Africans, 53 Indians and one white dead.



President and Mrs. Nixon pose with King Hussein and Queen Alia inside the White House on Tuesday night, before the start of a black-tie dinner.

Hussein gets no hint of U.S. initiative

By SAM LIPSKI Jerusalem Post Correspondent. — King Hussein of Jordan has concluded his round of meetings with American officials after receiving assurances of continued economic and military aid from President Nixon. But he is leaving Washington without any indication of new initiatives by the U.S. on a Middle East settlement.

According to public and background remarks of American officials, neither the U.S. nor King Hussein put forward "new diplomatic proposals" during the exchanges of views. While movement on a Middle East settlement has accounted for much of the publicity surrounding the Jordanian ruler's visit to Washington, it appears that the real focus of his talks centred on Amman's need to make up the \$20m. budget deficit by an increase of the \$50m. in economic aid, and to ensure a continued flow of the \$35m. in military grant aid each year.

Under this programme, President Nixon has reportedly assured King Hussein that Jordan can expect delivery later this year of the first of a promised two squadrons of F-5 jet fighters.

The diplomatic side of King Hussein's visit, beginning Tuesday at the White House with a 70-minute conversation with President Nixon and continuing at the State Department with Secretary of State William Rogers, does not appear to have yielded anything like the same dividends. The U.S. is said to have emphasized that a negotiated peace must begin with the parties making their own efforts toward holding talks.

While as in previous years, King Hussein received a sympathetic (Continued page 2, col. 5)

Cairo forces alerted; campuses are tense

By ANAN SAFADI Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter. — Cairo's security forces were alerted yesterday as Egypt braced for renewed student anti-government demonstrations against the regime of President Anwar Sadat. Over 120 students and a score of professionals were arrested last month in connection with the student street demonstrations of January 3 which led the government to close the campuses until last Saturday.

The close guard put on the campuses coincided with the continued purge in Egypt's political party, the Arab Socialist Union. A disciplinary committee of the ASU was expected to issue yet another list of political activists being ousted from various posts. The list would be the fourth issued by this committee in the past four days during which ninety persons, mainly journalists, have been expelled from the union and dismissed from their posts because of "political deviation."

Indications yesterday were that President Sadat was conducting the largest political purge since May 1971. Then, in a massive crackdown against his political opponents, he fired several high-ranking government officials, including Vice-President Ali Sabry and former War Minister General Mohamed Fawzi. Yesterday, Minister of Interior Mamdouh Salem said that registration has been reopened for nomination to the country's parliamentary institutions. The move may indicate that some members in the parliament, where signs of dissension are also evident, are about to be dismissed, or have been already.

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Security forces which arrived shortly afterwards discovered several bazookas lying the path which the patrol was to have taken. The bazookas were connected to electronic firing devices, which were immediately dismantled.

A loud explosion greeted soldiers who arrived to investigate the attack, but again no damage was caused. Investigation revealed that the incendiaries had detonated a 10-kilo charge, probably aimed at blocking the soldiers' path.

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Hussein's trip a 'positive move'

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH Jerusalem Post Reporter. — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday praised King Hussein's current visit to Washington as "a very positive move."

Addressing the Jewish Agency Assembly in Jerusalem, Mr. Dayan said Hussein's talks with American leaders meant that he was going to try to negotiate a political settlement "and not try to promote his military ambitions."

The Defence Minister said he was sure Washington would encourage the Jordanian leader to seek such a settlement. Hussein's trip to Washington was preferable to President Sadat's travelling to Moscow, Mr. Dayan said. "I don't know of any better mediator than America."

When Hussein returns, Mr. Dayan said, "I hope we will be a little closer to a peace agreement."

In response to a question from the floor, Mr. Dayan said he favoured a peace treaty which would give Jews the right to settle anywhere in the West Bank or the Gaza Strip, "this being our homeland." Israeli forces should also be stationed on the River Jordan, Mr. Dayan said, and "we should not go down from the Golan."

As for a new border with Egypt, it should be drawn from Sharm el-Sheikh to a point "somewhere on the Mediterranean," the Minister said.

In one of his rare public references to social problems, Mr. Dayan indicated that he did not consider closing the social gap as the top national priority. "If we can improve the situation, so much the better," he said. "If not, it's not a disaster. No one is starving or sleeping under bridges here." Of greater importance, he said, was the problem of *aliya* and the proper absorption of new immigrants so that others would be encouraged to follow. Mr. Dayan gave top national priority to defence. Asked if the energy crisis in the U.S. would lead the Arab states at Israel's expense, Mr. Dayan said, "I think too much of America to think they will take dictation about policy because some Arab king has oil."

Mr. Dayan said he did not favour annexation of the territories. "Achieving peace is our number one priority now — formal peace, real peace." He said that Israel must listen to what is being said by Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Egypt. "We must listen to them all the time and try to understand and see if we can meet their requests... so as to come to a settlement." Annexation would not be helpful in this effort, he said. Elsewhere in his remarks, however, Mr. Dayan said, "I don't remember where the 'green line' is."

A woman delegate from the U.S. asked if there were some way of "muzzling" people who come out with personal peace plans which damage Israel's bargaining position. An apparent reference to the proposal by Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon that Israel give back some territory even before peace negotiations. "There are ways (of muzzling)," said Mr. Dayan. "I don't support them."

Near Nahal Golan Terrorist thought killed after attack on Israel patrol

By HIRSH GOODMAN Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent. — A terrorist returning to Syria from Israel-held territory was hit by Israeli fire yesterday morning and is thought to have been killed.

The man, wearing a white *kafiyeh* and khaki bush jacket, was hit in no-man's-land, not far from the cease-fire line at Nahal Golan where, earlier in the morning, an Israeli patrol had come under terrorist attack.

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Cyprus gunmen raid 18 police stations

NICOSIA (Reuters). — Cyprus was rocked by explosions and gunfights yesterday with a growing threat of civil war among the island's Greek-speaking community.

In a highly-organized campaign, masked gunmen raided 18 police stations, stealing weapons, ammunition and uniforms. Three of the stations were blown up with dynamite and several gunfights erupted between police and terrorists.

No serious injuries or deaths were reported and the gunmen appeared to be under strict orders not to kill. The raids were interpreted as an attempt by supporters of General George Grivas to discourage Greek Cypriots from attending an election rally President Makarios is to address here today.

Nominations for the February 18 presidential election close at noon today, and unless a last-minute rival emerges, the 59-year-old Archbishop Makarios will be declared President unopposed.

President Makarios, who has already served two five-year terms as Cyprus' head of state, has accused General Grivas of plotting recent arms raids. (Background, page 5).

Observers expected another spectacular show of force from Grivas

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Weather synopsis: Upper trough from Turkey to West Egypt is slowly moving eastward.

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	Min-Max	Min-Max	Forecast
Jerusalem	59-71	59-71	11-16
Golan	59-71	59-71	11-16
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Beersheba	59-71	59-71	11-16
Dimona	59-71	59-71	11-16
Tirat	59-71	59-71	11-16

Social and Personal

President Zalman Shazar yesterday received Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and members of the City Executive, who presented the Presidential Residence with a Yossi Stern painting of Jerusalem.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Abba Eban, met yesterday with the new Colombian Ambassador, Mr. Ramon Martinez Valle, and with the new Bolivian Ambassador, Mr. Roberto Pacheco Hertzog.

Rumania's Chief Rabbi, Rabbi Moshe Rosen, lunched yesterday with the Deputy Minister of Tourism, Mr. Yehuda Sha'ari.

Mr. Yosef Shohet, senior adviser to the Minister of Education and Culture, has been appointed chairman of the Israel committee for Unesco.

An exhibition of terracottas by Nahum Gutman was opened yesterday at the ceramics pavilion of Museum Ha'aretz in Tel Aviv. The Italian Ambassador, Mr. Vittorio Cordero di Montezemolo, was among those present.

Mr. Menahem Perry will speak on "The Uniqueness of Chaim Nachman Bialik" at today's luncheon meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club, 1.15 p.m., at Z.O.A. House.

Dr. Jack Cohen of the Hill House in Jerusalem will speak on "Hillel and Israel" at a meeting of the English-speaking Paula Ben-Gurion and Aharon Katzir B'nai B'rith Lodges at 8:30 p.m. Monday, at B'nai B'rith House, 10 Kaplan St., Tel Aviv. The public is invited.

ARRIVALS

Mr. Abu Kramer, Chairman of the British Zionist Federation, accompanied by Mrs. Kramer, and Dr. S. Levenberg, representative of the Jewish Agency in the U.K., to attend the Zionist General Council meeting.

Tax relief for student teachers

The regulation exempting students at institutions of higher learning from income tax will be extended to apply to students at teachers' seminaries, the Finance Ministry announced yesterday.

The seminary students announced on Monday that they will hold a warning strike today. Among their demands was income tax exemption. They also wanted the seminaries to be accredited as degree-granting institutions and to get the same financial benefits as are given to university students.

Large families' old homes for aliya

Large, inadequately housed families should be moved into new apartments and their old apartments should be made available for immigrants, the Housing Committee of the Jewish Assembly recommended yesterday.

The moving of several thousand large families under this arrangement was one of the ways of improving housing conditions, the committee decided unanimously.

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Controls over public associations rejected

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday voted down a private members bill which would introduce legal controls and statutory inspection at elections for voluntary public associations. It was presented by the State List's Yigal Horowitz. The bill was modeled on a similar bill tabled last year by Gahal's Yoram Eridor which sought legal controls on all public bodies with a membership of 100,000 and up. It was obviously tailored to fit the Histadrut.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg, replying for the Government, said that the wording of the State List bill was so vague that it could apply to some 10,000 associations. The Government could not and would not be watchdog to synagogues, associations, immigrant federations, works committees, B'nai B'rith, Rotary and the like, he said.

The Minister said that while the issue is grave, it was up to the State List to draft its bill in a proper manner. He suggested that the Knesset could not relate to a matter which concerned the Histadrut, when not all M.K.s were members of the labour federation.

During the vote, which rejected the bill by 26 to 16, the State List's Yigal Horowitz shouted that its opponents were in favour of forgery.

Mr. Horowitz said that elections to public bodies whose membership system is voluntary should be subject to the same rules and regulations as all other public bodies. This was the only way to eliminate suspicion of forgery, bribery or the kind of pressure on voters as had occurred recently in the Civil Servants Union election.

Forgery of ballots at voting time is worse than stealing, Mr. Horowitz said. Party enthusiasts, who would never steal a penny in their lives, think nothing of stealing votes.

Mr. Horowitz said it was strange for the Government to seek statutory enforcement procedures in voluntary associations like the cooperative villages through the controversial Meuhav Law now in Committee — but to shun such powers in voluntary bodies, like the Histadrut.

Mu'adi calls for citizenship for Golan Druse

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. Deputy Communications Minister Sheikh Jaber Mu'adi yesterday appealed to the Government to grant the Druse in Golan Israeli citizenship. "It will make it clear to the Druse there that the Government will not withdraw from the territory or abandon its population," he called for the abolition of Military Government and the establishment of a district council that would look after the interests of the 8,000 Druse who live in four villages in the Golan.

After touring the area, he said, he had found that most of the population were in favour of cooperation with the Government. "The position of the Golan Druse is different from those in Israel in two respects: They are not Israeli citizens and they live within the range of Syrian artillery," he declared.

Claim to E. Jerusalem site by Jewish groups

The Jerusalem Sephardi Community Council and the Knesset Israel Committee have asked the Magistrates' Court to evict 30 Arab families living on the site of the Tomb of Shimon Hatzadik (Simon the Just), in East Jerusalem.

The 175 dunam plot belonged to the two organizations before the 1948 War of Independence, they claimed. It had been used by pilgrims as a prayer site.

Some time after 1948, they said, a number of houses were built there for Arab refugees, while other buildings already on the site, were claimed by East Jerusalem residents who now collect rent from families residing in them.

Housing protesters convicted

TEL AVIV. — Ten young couples who squatted in new flats last November to demonstrate their need for housing were convicted yesterday in the Magistrates' Court. Seven of them were fined IL100 each, and the other three received suspended jail sentences and were required to post IL1,000 bond that they would not repeat the offence.

The first group were from Or Yehuda. They told Magistrate Menahem Ilan that the heads of the local council there had told them squat in the new flats as the only way to attract the attention of the authorities. One of the accused, Sami Zaid, who has three small children, said: "It helped, too. Now we have a three-room flat."

The group of three had invaded flats in Jaffa and had to be forcibly evicted by the police, who used tear-gas in the clash.

Judge Amikam Pliskov took note of the police action: "One can't expect the police to use live gloves in such instances," he said. "Politeness and gentility are sometimes interpreted as a sign of weakness. And our police would be in trouble if the public thought them weak."

Committee to study TV proposed

The appointment of a committee to do research on television programming, management and labour relations was suggested by some speakers at a meeting Tuesday night of the Broadcasting Authority plenary.

It met in special session to take up current public criticism of television programmes. No decisions were taken at the session, which adjourned till next week.

The speakers were at pains to insist that the committee proposed should not be called an investigation committee.

The Council of Television Workers, in a memorandum to the Authority, claimed that even though the Authority had failed to provide adequate manpower and equipment, it was still possible to attain high standards with available resources. It said the management was to blame for inefficiency and misuse of resources, and urged the appointment of an objective investigation committee, on which the workers would be represented equally.

Several speakers opposed the appointment of such a committee, and claimed that the current anti-television campaign was inspired by political motives.

Gabon asks for more projects

President Albert Bongo of Gabon has asked Premier Golda Meir for increased Israeli cooperation projects in his country. The request came in a warm personal message from the President to the Prime Minister delivered yesterday by Gabon's visiting Foreign Minister, Mr. Georges Rawiri.

After a short talk with the Premier at her office, Mr. Rawiri held a working session with Foreign Minister Eban, in which specific cooperation projects were discussed. The Israeli side agreed in principle to send two building instructors to Gabon and to send one more youth leader to join the one who has been working in Gabon since 1966 organizing a youth movement.

Mr. Rawiri also raised his Government's request for Israel to train Gabonese students in oil refining. The details of this project are due to be worked out today when Mr. Rawiri meets with Deputy Finance Minister Zvi Dinstein, who is in charge of Israel's oil industry.

Mr. Rawiri dies out this afternoon. A joint communique to be issued before he leaves is expected to express the desire of both sides for a negotiated settlement in the Middle East and for increased cooperation between Israel and Gabon.

Six suspects held for arson at mission centre

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KUNETRA. — Five more Golan Druse, one of them from Bukata village, were arrested during the last 24 hours on suspicion of being linked to the spy ring broken a fortnight ago. The police now hold 25 suspects.

Two of the latest arrests are members of the Safadi clan and two of smaller families in Majdal Shams. The fifth man is the first suspect from outside Majdal Shams.

It is possible that the latest two groups of detainees may have only known of the spy ring's existence without reporting it to the authorities.

When Syria held the Golan, Safadi clan members were suspected of contacts with Israel and some were arrested or exiled by the Syrians.

Truck collides with train, driver killed

HAIFA. — A Tel Aviv-bound train crashed into a pickup truck at a level crossing yesterday morning, killing the driver and demolishing the truck.

The driver, David Kaski, 39, of Hadera, was rushed to Hillel Yaffe Hospital in Hadera after the crash, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

The accident occurred just before 7 a.m., when the 6.30 train from Haifa reached the level crossing next to the Yitong building-block plant near Farah Ha'aretz. The locomotive smashed into the tender as it crossed the tracks.

The tracks were blocked for about an hour, until a tow truck could clear away the wreckage of the tender.

Rabbi Kahane quoted from halacha to back his argument that the laws of the Torah may be violated in combatting proselytizing.

Haifa dockers to sign contract — for 40% rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Port workers yesterday authorized their committee to sign a new labour contract with the Ports Authority.

At a general meeting they resolved that the contract must be in line with the conditions agreed upon by the Government and the Histadrut to end last month's slowdown. The agreement had been for a rise of 40.2 per cent for dockers in all three ports.

Yesterday's decision by the Haifa dockers serves notice that they are going to insist on the full 40.2 per cent and will reject the 31.7 per cent which the Authority offered them. Ashdod dockers, who are newer on their jobs, will be getting over 40.2 per cent in higher seniority pay and upgrading.

The Authority's offer had been based on a general 40.2 per cent increase in the payroll, but the Haifa men want the full rise, regardless of the Ashdod increase.

Beit Shemesh strikers block plant entrance

BEIT SHEMESH. — The striking workers of the Beit Shemesh Engine Company yesterday blockaded the entrance to the plant.

The workers have been on strike for two weeks in a dispute over several clauses in their new work agreement. They blocked the gate, they said, to stop the management from "bringing in a large number of scabs."

Police, summoned to the scene by the management, held a brief conference with the strike leaders and then removed cable drums used to block the entrance. The strike is backed by the Histadrut.

A delegation of strikers, led by Beit Shemesh Labour Council Secretary Meir Cohen, yesterday met in Tel Aviv with Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon. Mr. Ben-Aharon recommended that they renew contact with the management, and it is expected that a new attempt at settlement will be made.

Koppel waives Beersheba post

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Pinhas Koppel, former Inspector-General of Police, has withdrawn his agreement to head the Negev district of Kupat Holim, it is learned.

Mr. Koppel based his change of mind on personal grounds (sickness in the family), which would make it difficult to move to Beersheba.

It is also learned that he is being mentioned as Alignment candidate for the post of Mayor of Ramat Gan in the elections this fall. He lives in Tel Aviv.

German firm wants to build Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tel Aviv could have a mass transport system based on an elevated railway within four or five years, if a proposal by a German company is accepted. The blueprint, discussed by Transport Minister Shimon Peres yesterday, would intersect Tel Aviv with two main lines — Herzliya-Lod and Petah Tikva-Holon.

Mr. Peres was addressing a seminar of senior Lod Airport officials at the Avia Hotel. He said the plan included an underground approach to the airport.

A branch line would shuttle between the Tel Aviv hotel district and the airport, and could also serve the thousands of workers commuting daily, to and from the Lod region.

The Minister referred to plans for a subway in Tel Aviv, but said that no final decision on the matter has been taken. It would have been undertaken jointly by the municipality and the Dan region, Israel Railways and other parties.

More immediate measures to relieve traffic congestion will be one-way traffic on central boulevards, with public transport to go both ways, along the Rehov Ben Yehuda. However, Peres said, there appears to be a real solution to the growing traffic congestion, whether of underground.

European Cup game with Madrid tonight

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi basketballers make their last home appearance in this year's European Cup competition tonight, entertaining the Spanish champions Real Madrid at the Yad Elihu Sports Palace. The game starts at 8.30 p.m. and will be televised from 9.10 p.m.

Both Tel Aviv Maccabi and Real Madrid have already been ousted in the quarter-finals, losing on points average to Simmenthal of Milan and Red Star of Belgrade for the third and fourth place in their quarter-final group.

The visitors' opening quintet includes one American, Wayne Brundener. The others are Rodriguez, Rolan, Thiem and Ramos. Tel Aviv Maccabi will field Brodie, Chubin, Menkin, Schwartz and Starkman.

The return game will be played in Madrid next week.

Victim's sharp-eyed daughter nabs thief

BEERSHEBA. — An alert 15-year-old girl yesterday led police to the arrest of the man who snatched her mother's purse the day before.

Mrs. Hanna Axelrod, of the Gimmel Quarter, withdrew IL3,000 from the bank Tuesday afternoon, and took the bus home. As she got off the bus, a young man snatched her purse and ran off.

Her daughter, who was at the bank with her, remembered seeing the thief at the bank. She recalled he had had an argument with the cashier when he refused to cash a cheque for IL240 payable to the man's mother, not him.

It was easy for the police, after hearing this, to inquire at the bank and get the man's address. They arrested him yesterday morning with the IL3,000 still in his possession.

Sde Boker college saved by Meir's intervention

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The teachers' seminar at the Sde Boker College will remain open and retain its accreditation by the Ministry of Education, sources close to the College said yesterday.

This follows an appeal by former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion to Premier Golda Meir on Tuesday to intervene against the Council on Higher Education's decision to withdraw accreditation. The seminar, with 60 students, is one of three educational institutions which make up the Negev College.

The Education Ministry is said to have felt that the teachers' seminar was too small to be run economically and efficiently. It has 60 students.

Suspects arrested in copper theft from army

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A merchant from Tel Aviv and a driver have been arrested on suspicion of trying to steal three tons of copper from an army store. In a joint operation of the Haifa and Tel Aviv police with the military police, a Rav-Samir Rishon (Sergeant-Major) was also arrested.

The copper is said to be worth several thousand pounds.

Police believe the N.C.O. provided entry permits for the merchant to enter the camp.

The suspects will be arraigned in court this morning.

Cairo summit ends — in silence

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, Syrian President Hafez Assad and Libyan head of state Mu'ammer Gaddafi yesterday ended their three-day summit conference in Cairo without issuing any statement.

The three leaders, who are linked in a loose federation, seemed to have avoided making any decisive resolutions pending the outcome of King Hussein's visit to Washington and the return of Egypt's presidential adviser on national security affairs, Hafez Ismail, from Moscow.

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Burglar alarm not burglar-proof

HAIFA. — Burglars smashed through the heavy glass door of a jewellery shop here early yesterday morning and made off with thousands of pounds worth of jewellery. The shop's burglar alarm rang unheeded.

Police said the alarm at the Bang Bang Jewellery shop in Hadar Ha-Carmel rang for over an hour—until a passing police patrol happened to notice it and alerted the owners. But by that time the shop had been cleaned out.

The "Itim" reporter here pointed out last night that the alarm system of most small shops are not connected to the local police stations. They simply ring in the shop. Neighbours and passersby are expected to call the police if they hear them. (Itim)

Allon: saturation in academic professions

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Education Minister Yigal Allon said yesterday that the number of academic professions is already reaching saturation. He said that the saturation point will be reached when the number of graduates from Israeli universities reaches the number of jobs available in the academic professions.

10th grade free in four years

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Education Minister Yigal Allon said yesterday that the 10th grade of school would be free within four years. Speaking at the Jewish Agency Assembly in Jerusalem, the Minister envisaged a reduction of 25 per cent of tenth grade fees each year during the Eighth Knesset, leading within four years to their abolition.

Mr. Allon told the delegates that education, properly directed, was the major instrument in solving the problem of poverty. Pre-kindergarten schooling was the best method of social integration, and it was Government policy to have as many four-year-olds and three-year-olds as possible receiving such schooling.

No opposition was encountered from parents to the Government's efforts to keep potential wage-earners at school, he said sardonically. Some 70 per cent of Israel's four-year-olds already received pre-kindergarten education — one of the highest figures in the world.

Another recently-developed area of education which played a major role in social integration were the pre-academic courses which the universities hold in conjunction with the Ministry and the Jewish Agency. These courses were intended for demobilized soldiers who did not have a matriculation certificate but wished to proceed to higher education. Mr. Allon said that 85 per cent of students entering these courses eventually proceeded to university.

He rejected a questionnaire charge that overseas Jewish students were robbing Israeli students of their rightful places at university. The universities, said the Minister, had enough room for everyone — except for all the would-be medical students whose Jewish mothers egged them on regardless of the opportunities or the need.

TWO BROTHERS, Nissan and Zvi Abraham, owners of a restaurant at 136 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, were hospitalized Tuesday night after being attacked by three young men. The three were arrested.

BOY DIES OF BURNS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEVA. — A five-year-old boy from Moshav Yeshu in the eastern Negev died here yesterday of burns he suffered on Tuesday. The boy, Danny Avital, and his mother, Mrs. Avital, were playing in a junked car near their home when the car caught fire with Danny inside. He suffered third degree burns, and Mrs. Avital was only slightly injured.

Police believe the children were playing with matches, and the fire started when it caught petrol left in the car.

Lord Caradon arrives here for visit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Lord Caradon, Britain's former ambassador to the U.N. and the man who is regarded as the author of Security Council Resolution 242 of November 1967, arrived in Jerusalem from Amman via the Allenby Bridge yesterday.

He is here on a private visit of several weeks as guest of the Anglican Archbishop of Jerusalem, George Appleton. He will meet Israeli and Arab acquaintances from the 1960s, when, as Sir Hugh Foot, he served as District Commissioner in the Nabulus District.

His meetings with Arabs will begin today at the British Consulate in Jerusalem. Later in the week, Lord Caradon is to confer with Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

On crossing Allenby Bridge, Lord Caradon said that his visit has no political implications. However, he stressed that he would convey his impressions on the current tour to the British people.

The tall veteran diplomat said he felt the Jordanians wanted a peaceful Middle East settlement and thought the Israelis wanted this too. He declined to comment on the differing of Resolution 242, noting only that it had been very carefully worded.

In Jordan, Lord Caradon conferred with Deputy Prime Minister and Premier Ahmed Fawzi.

MAX FISHER No U.S. pressure on Israel to make peace with Arabs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

There is no danger of the American Government putting pressure on Israel to make major concessions to the Arabs, Mr. Max Fisher, a long-time political associate of President Nixon and Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency, told "The Jerusalem Post" yesterday.

The Detroit oilman believes that the main lesson which the Americans learned from the Vietnam peace talks is that the best means to get peace is through direct negotiations between the parties concerned. "Nobody is talking any more about four-power talks or two-power talks. This is a great advance," he commented.

The American leaders still think that the best approach to a Middle East peace is to begin with a partial settlement leading to the reopening of the Suez Canal, as suggested originally by Minister of Defence Moshe Dayan, he said. "No doubt the President and Mr. Rogers will discuss all possible ways to get peace with Mrs. Meir, when she goes to Washington. But they will not bring any pressure on her in any way."



A leader of the Black Panther movement from Tel Aviv, Victor Tager, speaking at yesterday's Panther demonstration against spiralling prices at Kikar Menorah in Jerusalem. The police permit limited the rally to four speakers between the hours of 4 and 5.30. The Panthers complied to the minute. (Rahazim Israel)

Meir: report on youth won't be shelved

But no changes before elections

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Golda Meir said yesterday the recommendations of the Committee on Disadvantaged Youth "will not remain a dead letter, but that no basic changes in welfare services could be made before elections later this year."

She was speaking at a meeting at Beit Elsheva in Jerusalem attended by most of the 128 members of the committee, set up two years ago by Mrs. Meir following the Black Panther demonstrations. Education Minister Yigal Allon and Health Minister Victor Shemtov were present.

A guaranteed minimum income is one of the recommendations of the committee whose report has not yet been made public.

No decisions were reached at yesterday's four-hour meeting — the second with the Prime Minister in four weeks. A third is to take place after her return from the U.S. in March.

The meeting heard three additional reports which had not been included in the original three-volume, 750-page survey, which was almost two years in the making. One of the papers dealt with the condition of youth among the minorities.

Fifteen commission members are still waiting their turn to speak — at the next meeting. The coordinator of the committee, Dr. Yisrael Katz, director of the National Insurance Institute, said that "it is important that all members have a chance to air their views."

It is expected that the report will be made public after the third, and final, discussion. Until now only fragmentary information on the commission's recommendations was available.

Although yesterday's meeting was filmed by television crews, it was closed to the press.

Two National Religious members, two from the Herut wing of Gahal, and one each from Mapam, the ILLP, Agudat Israel and the New Communists, voted against the reform. Two Liberals abstained.

(Last week the private members bill had been defeated by eight votes to seven, because one Labour M.K. and one Independent could not attend the Committee session.)

The Labour private bill, sponsored by six Alignment Members, would replace the present system of proportional representation by a mixed system of constituency and proportional representation.

The Committee will now prepare the bill for a first reading in the plenum, where it is sure to be defeated. It cannot command the 61-vote absolute majority required for electoral legislation.

Teenagers shown effect of drugs on monkey

RISHON LEZION. — A group of high school seniors here saw a wild rhesus monkey tamed instantaneously under the influence of a narcotic drug yesterday, in an experiment conceived by the heads of the war against drug abuse.

One of the organizers of the experiment said the teenagers' reactions would be studied. If such live demonstrations cut down drug-taking among the youngsters, similar experiments will be carried out in other high schools.

The 12th-grade pupils at the Reali high school here yesterday saw a rhesus monkey injected with tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the active ingredient in hashish and marijuana. The experimenter, pharmacologist Uziya Karlan, national president of the Jaycees (Junior Chamber), said the amount of THC injected into the bloodstream of the monkey was about the same (proportionate to body weight) as that absorbed by a human adult who smokes hashish.

(It is almost impossible to judge how much THC a hashish smoker absorbs, since the amount and the strength vary tremendously.) However, Mr. Karlan denied that the monkey was given enough to produce an over-dose effect.

Before the students' very eyes — the experiment was timed on a stopwatch — the previously wild monkey turned tame and apathetic, to the point of allowing the experimenter to put his finger in its mouth. The experiment was repeated on a group of white rats — all of whom stretched out limp and lethargic.

Then the students were shown the effect of an amphetamine on two other groups of white rats. One group took the "upper" drug "individually" (each in its own cage). The other group took it "as a group" (all in the same cage), so that the "group effect" of drug-taking could be demonstrated.

The individually treated rats appeared stunned and helpless. But the group-treated subjects (who only got half as much of the drug as

Jewish Agency, customs men held in bribery, smuggling case

HAIFA. — Two Jewish Agency officials and a customs clerk from Haifa Port have been arrested on suspicion of taking bribes to help smuggle in tens of thousands of pounds worth of goods, "Itim" reported yesterday.

Although police have released no information about the case, it is believed that it involves an organized smuggling ring that exploited the duty-free rights of new immigrants.

The investigation reportedly began last week, with the arrest of customs clerk Zvi Zippin. Zippin is accused of offering a IL2,000 bribe to a Jewish Agency official who, in return, authorized movement of a "new immigrant's" life to a bonded warehouse outside the port. As the investigation continued, two Agency employees and three new immigrants were arrested.

The newcomers allegedly abused their import privileges to bring in large quantities of saleable goods — including television sets, electrical appliances and tens of thousands of Parker pens.

(Last month two customs clerks at Lod Airport were arrested on suspicion of taking bribes to clear goods through the customs shed there. They have not yet been tried.)

U.N. CHIEF OFF TO CAIRO

Major-General Ensis Silasvuo, Chief of Staff, UNTSO, accompanied by Mr. Remy Gorge, Principal Political Adviser, will be travelling to Cairo today for a five-day visit to tour U.N. installations and to have consultations with the Egyptian authorities, it was announced in Jerusalem yesterday by the UNTSO.

Held for forging drug prescription

TEL AVIV. — A Jerusalem man was arrested here yesterday on suspicion of forging a doctor's prescription for an addictive drug.

The man, whose name was not released, showed up at the Kupat Holim central pharmacy in Holon and presented a suspicious-looking prescription. The pharmacist called the police. When the man returned for his prescription, he was arrested.

Baram scores Alignment M.K.s' truancy

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Alignment Knesset faction chairman Moshe Baram warned on Tuesday night that unless Alignment Members were more diligent in attendance, the Opposition could quite easily catch them napping and deal the Coalition some embarrassing technical defeats.

Alignment attendance in the plenum gives grounds for great concern, Mr. Baram told the faction caucus. Apart from Cabinet Ministers, the number actively attending the plenum is in the low twenties, he said. (The Labour-Mapam Alignment has 56 M.K.s, including Cabinet Ministers.)

Mr. Baram said there was no reason why Deputy Ministers should not attend more often, too, especially on Wednesdays — when motions for the agenda and private bills are debated.

The faction chairman said he would ask Labour and Mapam not to stage party functions on Wednesdays before six p.m. He said Alignment Members would be notified in advance, in writing, what days they had to make sure they came to the House, and for which items of the agenda they should be present in the plenum chamber.

Party weekly's views again stir Labour

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A sharp attack on Israel's attitude towards Jordan and recent statements by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan appears in this week's issue of the Labour Party weekly "Ot."

The criticism is written by Yosef Sarid, who is the candidate of Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir and Tel Aviv Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz to head the party's election information drive. Mr. Sarid writes: "When King Hussein harkens to sounds emanating from Israel, he hears from some of our leaders that he is not regarded as a serious partner for peace negotiations. Whoever says that what Hussein has said until now does not offer a glimmer of a talking point, demands of him, in effect, that he submit unconditionally to Israel's dictation."

Mr. Sarid cleaves to the view outlined by Deputy Premier Yigal Allon and warns that Israel is risking "pushing Hussein into Egypt's arms."

Mr. Mordechai Ben-Porat M.K., one of the leaders of the Rafi wing, declared Thursday that the article has "justified our opposition to how the election headquarters is made up."

Avneri urges electronic vote-counter

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Knesset Member Uri Avneri has again appealed to the Speaker to record votes in the plenum chamber electronically.

He wrote Speaker Israel Yeshayahu that cases of miscounts had again occurred and in fact were unavoidable, because of the factor of human error. An increasing number of parliaments around the world were abandoning the ancient method of voting by show of hands, Mr. Avneri said.

An electronic system would show which way each member voted (if he voted at all). It would also serve as a record of attendance, he noted.

The system would cost relatively little, he claimed, and estimated it as less than the monthly sum allocated to one faction under the new party financing law.

The Post learns that contractors' bids to install an electronic system run between IL200,000-IL300,000. A faction's monthly allocation depends on the size of the faction. Mr. Avneri will get IL9,000 monthly, if he has a one-man faction after the next elections.

Court order against Burg in 'ideological war'

The Interior Minister was yesterday given 30 days in which to justify his decision to withhold a development grant to a Habad educational institution. The order was issued by the High Court at the request of the Beit Rivka girls' school in Kfar Habad, which claims the Minister is trying to punish the Habad movement — by not giving money to one of its schools — for taking sides against him in an "ideological war."

The appellant says the money was withheld because Habad spearheaded a public campaign against Interior Minister Yosef Burg and other N.R.P. Cabinet ministers, over the controversial "Who's a Jew?" amendment to the Law of Return. (The Habad movement and other ultra-religious circles want "Jew" to be defined in that amendment as one born of a Jewish mother or converted by halacha. At present the law allows for conversions abroad by Reform and Conservative rabbis — which do not comply with the letter of halacha.)

The school further claims that the Minister had no objective reason for withholding the IL250,000 development budget it had requested. His refusal to give them the money, therefore, was based on "foreign and unacceptable considerations." (Itim)

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'L'Orient-Le Jour'

Arabs held in Vienna planned to hijack train carrying Soviet Jews

BEIRUT. — Three Palestinians arrested last month in Austria planned to hijack a train carrying Soviet Jews from Moscow on their way to Israel, a Beirut newspaper reported yesterday.

The Arabs, travelling on false Israeli passports, were members of the Black September organization. Their plan was leaked to the Soviet Union by European Communists, probably British, who were close to the terrorist group, according to the French-language 'L'Orient-Le Jour'.

The Russians, in turn, reportedly tipped off the Austrian authorities before the operation could get underway. The three Arabs were seized as they entered the country and subsequently expelled from Austria. They denied any connection with terrorist groups, saying they came to Vienna to smuggle drugs.

Terrorist sources told the newspaper the Black Septemberists were undeterred by their Austrian failure and would strike again in a "operation of equal dimensions in the near future, possibly this month."

The three Palestinians planned to take over the Moscow-to-Vienna train, disconnect the cars in which the Jews were travelling, then demand safe-conduct for themselves and their hostages to an unnamed "friendly country," according to the newspaper.

It said the operation was designed to draw Arab attention to the part the Soviet Union was playing in the emigration of Jews to Israel and to underscore Moscow's "false friendship toward the Arabs."

Vienna is the main transit point for Russian Jews leaving the Soviet Union for Israel.

The terrorists were under strict orders not to harm the Jewish emigrants, claimed 'L'Orient-Le Jour,' which quoted sources close to the Black September organization.

"It was strictly forbidden for them to touch a single hair of their prisoners. The aim of the operation, like that of Bangkok, was to strike international public opinion without shocking it, and especially to accuse the Soviet Union for the first time publicly and openly," the paper said.

In Vienna, a police spokesman said yesterday that the three Arabs are probably still in the country, but the authorities have no reason to link them with the Black September organization.

"There was no evidence to link them with any such organization. As far as I know the three are still in Austria. This is no longer of any concern because the court case is settled," he said.

(AP, UPI)

Syria ups budget by £20m.

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — The Syrian Parliament on Tuesday night approved the state's budget for 1974 which totalled 5,413 million Syrian pounds (about £241.8m). It is 208 million Syrian pounds (about £20.8m.) more than last year's budget.

The budget for national security, which includes defence ministry's spending, amounted to 786 million Syrian pounds (about £78.6m.)

Italian F.M. arrives in Beirut

BEIRUT (AP). — Italian Foreign Minister Giuseppe Medici flew into Beirut yesterday and said his talks with Lebanese government leaders would focus on the Middle East conflict and matters of interest to Mediterranean nations.

"I hope the talks will be useful to both Lebanon and Italy," said Medici in an airport statement upon his arrival from the Saudi Arabian Red Sea port city of Jidda.

He is scheduled to make a sight-seeing tour of Roman ruins at Baalbek before meeting today with Lebanese President Suleiman Frangieh and Foreign Minister Khalil Abu Hamad.

Medici visited Egypt and Saudi Arabia before coming to Lebanon.



Egyptian presidential envoy Hafez Ismail (left) shakes hands with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko before their talks in Moscow yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Ismail in Moscow
Sadat's 'Kissinger' meets with Gromyko

MOSCOW (UPI). — Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko held intensive talks with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's national security adviser yesterday in an effort to work out a common approach to a Middle East peace settlement.

Gromyko devoted much of his working day to meetings with the Egyptian official, Hafez Ismail, who arrived from Cairo Tuesday night.

Following more than an hour of talks yesterday morning, Gromyko hosted a luncheon for Ismail at the foreign ministry. Then the two men returned to the formal talks late yesterday afternoon, Egyptian officials said.

The Soviet news agency Tass described the talks as friendly and said they involved "a circumstantial exchange of opinions on a wide range of questions connected with the Middle East situation. Egyptian officials also declined to discuss the talks in detail.

But political sources in Cairo said earlier that the purpose of Ismail's visit was to coordinate Egyptian-Soviet policies regarding

an American plan to bring Israel and Egypt into indirect talks through an American intermediary. The sources said Egypt has been informed that the U.S. will revive this proposal, first put forward in 1971, sometime this spring. The talks would be aimed at an interim agreement on reopening the Suez Canal.

Ismail, whom Sadat has described as "My Kissinger," carried a letter from Sadat to Leonid Brezhnev, general secretary of the Communist party. But Egyptian sources said they had no information on a possible Ismail meeting with Brezhnev.

Gromyko and Ismail exchanged brief toasts at the luncheon, pledging cooperation between their countries, Egyptian officials said.

First Deputy Premier Kirill Maslennikov, a leading member of the ruling Politburo, attended the luncheon.

Egyptian officials said Ismail had no activities planned for last night. The schedule for today had not yet been worked out, except for a luncheon that Ambassador Abdel Kader is hosting for Gromyko.

Africans condemn Israel for failure to withdraw

ADDIS ABABA. — Members of the 41-nation Organization of African Unity (OAU), yesterday criticized Israel for refusing to withdraw from occupied Arab lands, a spokesman said.

Mohammed Saboun, OAU assistant Secretary-General, said "a majority of those (16) countries which spoke during the general debate on the Middle East and other world problems called on Israel to pull out."

The OAU also decided to set up a nine-nation committee to draft a recommendation condemning Israeli aggression against Arab states.

The spokesman said the delegates of Zambia, Egypt, Mali, Morocco, Uganda, Algeria, Guinea, Gabon, Zaïre, Congo, Tunisia, Mauritania, Liberia, Tanzania, Ghana and the Sudan spoke during the political debate of the current 20th ministerial conference of the 41-nation OAU.

The OAU in the past has made similar anti-Israel recommendations. Conference sources said Arab delegates also were actively lobbying among countries south of the Sahara to follow the example of other nations which recently severed diplomatic relations with Israel.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed Hassan el Zayyat, when asked about this movement, said: "But it came too late, didn't it?"

Asked about a possible American initiative in the Middle East following the cease-fire in Vietnam, Zayyat told newsmen: "We are waiting, but perhaps you can tell us the answer."

"We have borne the strain of the Middle East conflict too long. We cannot bear it any longer."

Since the opening on Monday, OAU delegates have confined themselves mainly to voicing support for Egypt, Zambia in its confrontation with Rhodesia, and guerrillas in the Portuguese territory of Guinea-Bissau.

Saboun said the session had decided to make "a special effort" to help the guerrillas following the assassination last month of their leader, Amílcar Cabral.

Foreign Ministers and ambassadors concluded the general debate yesterday, then turned to working out a budget for 1973-74, which will be presented to the full heads of state meeting in May. (UPI, Reuters)

Protestant protest
Ulster is crippled by one-day strike

BELFAST (UPI). — Protestant militants crippled Northern Ireland yesterday with a general strike that slashed power supplies, closed shops and schools, brought factories to a standstill and kept tens of thousands of workers at home.

Militant Protestant leaders called the one-day strike to protest the jailing without trial of the first two Protestants held under anti-terrorism laws. Dozens of Roman Catholics have been similarly jailed.

Machinegun fire raked mourners at a guerrilla funeral and a mob of howling Protestants stormed the home of a Roman Catholic priest and set his church ablaze.

The attack on the funeral procession came as the coffins of three teenage IRA volunteers, killed in a shootout with the British Army at the weekend, were being carried up the Falls Road. Two bursts of fire rang out. An 11-year-old boy and a man aged 45 among the thousands of Roman Catholic mourners fell wounded.

A soldier said: "At first everyone thought it was the traditional salute of shots being fired over the coffins — then they realized it was an attack and hit the deck."

POLICE ATTACKED

While the cortege was being attacked, Protestant youths in east Belfast attacked police stations with bricks and stones and another group invaded St. Anthony's Catholic church, setting it ablaze. Then the youths turned to the adjacent home of the parish priest. The priest's terrified housekeeper huddled in a room on the second floor while the youths smashed everything they could find downstairs.

The Northern Committee of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, which opposed the strike, estimated 120,000 workers stayed at home —

a fifth of Ulster's 600,000-man workforce.

It accused Protestant extremists of using terror to enforce the strike call. "Many people who would have worked were prevented by fear and intimidation," a spokesman said.

William Craig, chairman of the Protestant Loyalist Council, which called the strike, admitted intimidation might have been used. "But it's of a minimal order. I don't attach any great importance to it," Craig said.

The strike "is certainly fulfilling what we set out to do. All promised support has been offered," he added.

Electric power was cut to a third of normal. Dr. Desmond Downing, a consultant at a hospital in Belfast, said the cuts had almost cost the lives of two patients undergoing surgery.

"This action has placed in jeopardy the lives of many hundreds of patients for very doubtful, and perhaps even despicable, motives," he told newsmen.

Men of the Protestant Ulster Defence Association picketed factories, warning workers to go home. They set up roadblocks in parts of Belfast and on some country roads and searched cars. The British Army reported Catholic homes in some rural areas were daubed with paint and their windows broken.

Bomb scares were frequent in Belfast, most of whose stores closed down. No milk was delivered, few trains ran and bus services stopped.

Belfast's publicly owned bus company ordered its vehicles withdrawn "in the interest of worker safety" after crews who showed up for work were threatened.

Gangs of youths roamed provincial towns warning shopkeepers to close — or else.

GOLDMANN:

Bonn promises to try again on compensation for Jews

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Dr. Nahum Goldmann said here Tuesday night he had obtained a "promise" from West German government leaders to make new efforts to pass legislation assuring financial compensation to Jewish victims of Nazism not eligible for such compensation under present laws.

Dr. Goldmann, head of the World Jewish Congress, told a reporter he obtained the pledge in meetings on Tuesday with Chancellor Willy Brandt and Finance Minister Helmut Schmidt.

He said the compensation had

been "frozen" during last year's West German election campaign, but with the return of a stable government he expected new movement towards a solution.

Dr. Goldmann confirmed that the main problem involved East European Jews who came west only after 1945 and thus were cut out of benefits under West Germany's previous "Closing Law on Compensation." He said he had handed over a memorandum on the matter to government officials here.

Sources close to Dr. Goldmann said Bonn's main argument in dragging its feet in the compensation question was that West Germany had already paid more money than Jewish survivors of Nazism had ever hoped for. But these sources objected that the concept of closing off compensation after a certain date was absurd.

The Jewish leader said his talks with Chancellor Brandt also touched on the Middle East, but he declined to give details. Dr. Goldmann denied he had discussed the outlook for Communist East German restitution with Mr. Brandt. "I don't want to involve the West German government in this matter," he said. However, Dr. Goldmann said he had no reason for optimism about a future change in East Germany's policy of refusing to grant restitution to Israel.

The "Börsen Rundschau" newspaper claimed yesterday that Dr. Goldmann hoped to use West German "diplomatic channels" to establish contact with Communist authorities in East Germany.

Mr. Goldmann reportedly left Bonn for Berlin yesterday, but there was no immediate indication who he would meet there or how long he would stay.

Motorist kills himself because no one stopped

GREEN RIVER, Wyoming (AP). — A 25-year-old man killed himself after leaving a note saying his car stalled in frigid weather and no motorists would stop to help him, police say.

"I have been waiting 11 hours for someone to stop," said the note found next to the body of David Huffstetler of Salt Lake City. "I can't stand the cold any longer and they just keep passing by."

Highway patrolman Darrell Frye said he found the body of Huffstetler early on Sunday. He said the car was out of gas and in the parking lane of the highway.

Sheriff John Zakovich said Huffstetler shot himself in the head with a .22-caliber pistol.

Britain lauds Zambia's trade ban with Rhodesia

LONDON (AP). — Britain on Tuesday praised Zambia's continued closure of its trade routes through the rebel white-ruled colony of Rhodesia.

The Foreign Office also expressed British readiness to help the Zambians in their current economic confrontation with the regime of Premier Ian Smith.

"We believe in political contacts with the Rhodesians," a spokesman told reporters. "We do not believe in economic contacts."

He explained British governmental reasoning in this way: "We want free movement of people and ideas into Rhodesia. But we're all in favour of tighter sanctions against Rhodesia. We are trying to persuade them by hurting their economy to the point of forcing them into a settlement."

Mr. Smith at the weekend reopened his side of the Rhodesian-Zambian frontier because he said he had received Zambia assurances that action would be taken against guerrillas thrusting into Rhodesia.

Zambia President Kenneth Kaunda denied sending any such pledges and vowed to keep his own border

and customs posts closed until black rule is established in his neighbour state.

Meanwhile, Zambian imports and exports are moving to and from the landlocked country by way of Portuguese and Tanzanian territories at a cost that is imposing new strains on Kaunda's government.

The Foreign Office spokesman reported that Britain's Minister for Overseas Development, Richard Wood, in Lusaka last week, invited the Kaunda government to say what help it needed from Britain to offset the extra costs. A reply is still awaited. The possibilities of United Nations and African aid are also being investigated.

These pressures on Mr. Smith are, in the British view, being augmented by the political and economic difficulties he is encountering with his staunch friends, South Africa and Portugal. He consulted neither before closing the frontier last month.

The British believe all these problems piling up on Salisbury's doorstep could force the Smith regime into a dialogue with leaders of African opinion and with the British government itself.

Mother aske for fatal dose doctor says



Dr. Geertruide Postma-van Boven outside court yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

LEEWARDEN, Holland (Reuters). — A woman doctor told a court here yesterday she gave her aged mother a fatal dose of morphine, at her mother's urgent request.

The doctor, Geertruide Postma-van Boven, 45, was answering questions when her trial opened in charge of the mercy killing of her mother, who was 78 and had died 16 months ago.

Dr. Postma-van Boven said she injected 200 milligrammes of morphine, which she knew was a fatal dose, after saying goodbye to her mother, who died within a few minutes.

The doctor told the court that her husband, Dr. Andries Postma, was also a physician, was with her at the time.

The mother was a patient at Roman Catholic nursing home Oosterwolde, Friesland.

East German shoot own border guard

BERLIN (AP). — East German border guards opened fire at police barracks on Tuesday night to gun down one of their own comrades just inside East Berlin, 60 metres from the Checkpoint Charlie allied wall crossing point.

Eyewitness accounts said the incident occurred shortly before 8 p.m. local time, when a uniformed East German guard suddenly began running along the wall pursued by a group of others. They cornered him then he broke free a second time.

"They opened fire with automatic weapons at point-blank range even though he (the fleeing guard) was surrounded and unable to escape," a U.S. statement said.

The wounded guard's condition was unknown.

It was the most serious incident along the wall that divides Berlin since East-West accords were concluded aimed at reducing tension in the divided city.

The U.S. Berlin command, Maj.-Gen. William Cobb, promptly condemned the shooting.

"The U.S. Commandant strongly protests this irresponsible and unnecessary use of firearms in the midst of a populated area only a few metres from one of the principal crossing points for travel between the Eastern and Western sectors of Berlin," his statement said.

The West Berlin city government followed up with a statement of its own describing the shooting as endangering human life.

"East Germany," the statement said, "again has demonstrated... how prepared it is to use violence against human beings."

The shooting, a spokesman said, was in violation of the spirit and letter of the four power — U.S., Britain, France and the Soviet Union — agreement on Berlin.

"It endangers efforts at detente. Such inhumanity must be rejected with all vigour."

INDIA ON TOP IN 5th TEST

BOMBAY (Reuters). — India took command in the fifth and final Test match against England here yesterday, running up a first innings total of 448 and then claiming two England wickets for 41 runs.

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At least 18 persons died, 15 of them children, when fire broke out in the this five-storey Paris school Tuesday night. The school is normally empty at the time the fire started, but Tuesday evening municipal music classes were using the premises. (AP Wirephoto)

Fire in Paris school kills 18

PARIS — Weeping parents kept a night-long vigil in a nearby town, all for news of their children, after a fire swept through a Paris school Tuesday evening, burning to death at least 18 people — 15 of them children.

Five or six children are still unaccounted for.

The blaze started as the children were having music lessons Tuesday night and reduced the school to a mass of twisted metal.

Firemen, working through the smoke, tried to stop the fire from spreading to the main wing, but it was too late. The children's bodies were found among the wreckage. On one wall a clock hung topped at 7:45 when the fire broke out.

"I don't understand what happened. I didn't notice anything," said an instructor of one of the music classes. "There was no explosion, no fire and no flames."

The teacher said that four classes

were being held in the school, three for music and one for piano lessons.

All the children were aged between seven and 12, he added. It was the first time music classes had been held in the school.

The teacher said that he had 13 young children in his class, when another child opened the door and yelled there was a fire. He said that nothing was apparent as he led the children through a corridor, but thick smoke appeared as they reached a staircase. At that point the lights went out in the building.

Since it was impossible to go down the stairs, he said, he led the children back to another staircase which was also filled with smoke. He took the children back to the classroom, broke the windows and managed to get all but two out on ladders that were put up from the outside. He said he had no idea what happened to the two missing from the class.

"Everything happened very fast," said one fireman. "By the time we got there, it was already too late."

One witness living nearby said at "about 8 p.m. I saw a little flame at the level of the first floor, and I called to my husband 'there's a fire in the school.' I went back to the window three or four minutes later and the whole floor was in flames. I couldn't watch. Everything seemed to collapse at once. I didn't hear any explosion, but we could hear the windows breaking."

The pre-fabricated building of metal supports and concrete blocks was opened only two years ago.

One student said that she noticed a smell of gas as she left the building Tuesday afternoon and had told a teacher. But the mayor of the 19th district, where the school was located, said there were no gas outlets in the classrooms.

(Reuters, AP)

Brando may turn down Oscar

The Disney empire that began with a mouse still rakes in millions

HOLLYWOOD (AP). — Will Marlon Brando follow George C. Scott's lead and refuse an Oscar if he wins one?

That is the speculation in Hollywood following Brando's refusal earlier this week to accept a Golden Globe from the Hollywood Foreign Press Association. He had been nominated as best dramatic actor for his role in "The Godfather."

Brando did not appear, nor did he designate anyone to accept his award for him. The presenter, Carol Burnett, merely walked off the stage at the Century Plaza Hotel with it.

The Foreign Press Association received a telegram from Brando reading:

"There is a singular lack of honour in this country today, what with the government's change of its citizens into objects of use, its imperialism and warlike intrusion into foreign countries and the killing not only of their inhabitants but also indirectly of our own people, its treatment of the Indians and the blacks, the assault on the press and the rape of the ideals which were the foundations of this country."

"I respectfully ask you to understand that to accept an honour, however well-intended, is to subtract from the meager amount left. Therefore, to simplify things, I hereby decline any nomination and deny anyone representing me."

SCOTT'S REJECTION

His action recalled George C. Scott's rejection of his Academy Award nomination for "Patton" two years ago and his refusal to accept the Oscar when he won Scott's reasons were professional, not political; he had assumed the Academy Awards as a "meat parade." His Oscar rests unclaimed at the academy.

Marlon Brando is certain to be nominated for a best-actor Oscar next Monday, and nearly everyone expects him to win it on March 27. He has become increasingly reclusive in the past two years, and there were doubts that he would appear for the ceremonies.

"If Marlon refused the Golden Globe," remarked a longtime associate of his "he'll probably refuse the Oscar, too. He has become more and more disturbed by what has been happening in this country, and he feels he should speak out."

Brando won a previous Oscar as best actor of 1954 for "On the Waterfront," and he was present to receive the award. That was before he became a political activist.

Jane Fonda, who is more of an activist than Brando, appeared to accept her Oscar for "Kluge" last year and made no political comments in her acceptance speech. She was reportedly advised by her father, Henry Fonda, to avoid using the awards as a forum.

LOS ANGELES (Otna). — TIME has stepped in the office where Walt Disney built his multi-million dollar entertainment empire. It is untouched, unoccupied, with everything exactly as he left it on his death (from lung cancer) in 1966. The scripts he was reading, the notes he had made are there on the desk. Disney's corporate heirs have made the little two-room suite into a shrine.

The year 1973 marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of the empire that began with a mouse, but walking around the Burbank headquarters of Disney Productions you get an eerie feeling that the suspension of time has carried over, into Disney Drive and down Mickey Mouse Boulevard, out into Disneyland and Disney World and the executive offices that market a product which touches some 300 million lives in 40 countries each week.

The Disney Corporation shuns new ideas and change like the plague; the executives at Burbank tend to speak of the great man as if he were still alive. "Would Walt approve?" is a question uppermost in their minds. His picture stares down, smiling kindly, from every office wall. Yes he'd approve, if it's clean, wholesome fun, barred sex and violence, made people happy and made lots of money.

There are no old films on the Disney shelves. Nothing was ever sold to television so nothing grows stale. The classics — "Pinocchio," "Snow White," "Cinderella," "Peter Pan," "Fantasia," "Mary Poppins" and the rest — are released to the world by rote: every seven years, say Disney executives, a completely new audience of moppets is ready, while the rest of the world is ripe for a reviewing.

"Dumbo" is on the rounds at the moment. It should rake in more than \$5m. With a half-million for promotion and a million for distribution there will be around \$4m. clear profit. "Do you know anyone else making that kind of money on a negative?" asks company president E. Cardon Walker.

Hardly: the major studios are selling out to oil millionaires, auctioning off their back lots, selling even the last few years' stock.

But in a time when seven out of every 10 films released fall at the box-office, Disney Productions earns \$26.7m. on revenue of \$76m. in one year. In a couple of months 28,000 Disney stockholders will be invited to the Los Angeles Music Centre for their annual general meeting. Wall Street predicts an increase of more than 100 per cent in profits over the last fiscal year.

So far "Snow White" has taken \$27m. at the box office. "Pinocchio" has made \$19m. "Mary Poppins" \$44m. But Mr. Walker observes that only about a quarter of the company's income last year came from films. By far the biggest money-spinners are California's Disneyland, which makes about \$80m.



The newest Disney gold mine — Disney World in Florida, which opened last year and where over 10 million visitors are expected by the end of the first year. Here, one of the World's 10,000 employees, Sherry Swets, stands hand-in-hand with Mickey Mouse.

a year (\$2m. in Mickey Mouse T-shirts and watches alone), and the new gold mine in Florida, Disney World.

Even the Burbank executives have been startled by the wild success of this latest addition to the Disney machine. Ten-mile long traffic jams over the Christmas holidays, 500 conventions scheduled over the next three years, the two hotels so heavily booked that the company is rushing to build more. Attendance for the first year will be over 10 million.

The founder of all this came to California from Kansas City with a few dollars in his pocket in August, 1923. He had a new cartoon idea — to make a version of "Alice in Wonderland" using a live Alice on an animated background. He made it, sold it and Disney productions was born. Over the next three years Disney produced 55 short "Alice comedies" employing three different Alices. Mickey Mouse didn't come along until 1928. His first words to an unsuspecting world were: "Hot dog!" Today, after 118 starring roles, the million dollar mouse is slightly fatter, and when he appears at Disneyland, east or

west, he wears white tie and tails. Clean-cut and cute, honest, all-American and just a shade dumb — for intellect is always suspect. Mickey set the tone for all that came after. The great parks, their staff, the executives who run the empire must conform to the image. Don't hope to work at Disneyland if you're Grumpy, Dopey, Sleepy or, come to that, any kind of dwarf. A few years back the park tried to ban long-hairs and folk with beards, but the march of progress proved too much even for the Disney bosses. Still, Disneyland stays super-clean, thanks to all the cute kids with shovels and pans who snatch up every paper cup the moment it's dropped. They even deodorize the mules.

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CAN MAKARIOS RIDE OUT THE GRIVAS STORM?

As elections approach in Cyprus there are signs that General Grivas, now 75, is trying to foil them and so to unseat Archbishop Makarios. He has called for a boycott, circulated leaflets, sent his men to grab arms. As ever, he himself remains in hiding. But all the signs are, reports G. mini News Service, that Makarios will ride the storm as usual and stay in power for years to come.

By ANDREAS HADJIPAPAS

NICOSIA — THE Cyprus presidential election due on February 18 is of the utmost importance for the island even though Archbishop Makarios is certain to win another term — his third since independence was gained from the British in 1960.

First of all, recent acts of violence in Cyprus tend to show that underground leader General George Grivas is out to foil the elections. He has called on his followers to boycott the polls and launched a series of attacks whose aim is obviously to undermine the prestige of the government, and create a state of confusion and chaos, so that the elections would have to be postponed.

If the elections do take place as planned, without serious trouble, that itself will amount to a victory for the Makarios administration.

The outcome of the election also has its special significance. Any large-scale indifference or opposition could mean an end to President Makarios' rule. The Archbishop has said that he will resign if he does not get at least 80 per cent of the vote. "Call it a matter of pride or sheer egoism," he told an interviewer.

In the previous election held in 1968, the Archbishop won nearly 96 per cent of the vote. It was a remarkable achievement. Both right and left joined forces to trounce opposition candidate Dr. Tassios Dr. Tassios. But things are different now. Grivas, the former EOKA leader who fought the British for four years before independence, has been on the island for the past 18 months to try to revive the struggle for Enosis, the island's union with Greece. And if he can cause enough trouble to the Archbishop to force him to resign as President, it could mean the end of the present effort to find a permanent peace settlement for Cyprus, based on the island's continued independence.

President Makarios, now nearing his 60s, has challenged the 75-year-old General (his former Commander-in-Chief) to come out into the open and test his popularity at the polls. But Grivas, a master in guerrilla warfare, is no politician, and would certainly lose identifiably at the polls. He has chosen to fight the way he knows.

He has ordered pro-Rosses stu-



President Makarios and his former Commander in Chief, General George Grivas, in friendlier days.

dents to organize demonstrations, send his men to grab arms, explosives and radio transmitters from a number of places (including Egypt), and circulated leaflets threatening teachers, policemen and judges with "punishment" if they take action against members of his underground organization.

Observers expect him to take more spectacular action, as the election time approaches — such as Tuesday night's raids on police stations throughout the island. Meanwhile, he himself remains in hiding.

For the time being it seems unlikely that the opposition will come forward with any rival candidate. Dr. Drivas wanted to stand again, but the hardliners among the opposition rejected this, and he had to resign from the party leadership.

The important thing, in the minds of most observers, is the extent of abstentions. The left wing, which commands between 35-40 per cent of the electorate, is certain to give the Archbishop its unreserved support. But the right is not so solidly behind Makarios. In fact, it is only thanks to the efforts of Glafcos Clerides, leader of the United Party, the largest in parliament, that the Archbishop has been assured of a large portion of the right wing vote, as well.

It is therefore now virtually certain that a good portion of Greek Cypriot nationalists will also vote for Makarios. But the question is: will he be able to secure that crucial 80 per cent of the vote?

The Turkish Cypriots will be going to the polls the same day to elect a Vice-President of the Republic. There does not seem to be any major problem in their case. Dynamic Rami Demetash is strongly tipped to win a landslide victory over his opponent, Mehmet Baharoglu. Demetash won Ankara's favour and, without even a real fight, he forced the long-time leader of the

Turkish community, Dr. Fazil Kucuk, to step down. Dr. Kuchuk, Vice-President since 1960, dropped out of the race once Demetash, his "No. 2," announced that he would be contesting the elections.

But tough, stubborn Makarios is not that kind of man. He felt the assassins' bullets in 1970, but he did not quit; he faced threats of coups but he clung to power even more strongly; he defied with Egyptian cunning the demands of his senior bishops that he should give up temporal power.

Most people believe that his luck still holds, and that he will and the way to stay in power for many years to come.

Pakistanis mob Waldheim, demanding return of P.O.W.s

RAWALPINDI (Reuters). — Rowdy demonstrators calling for the return of the 90,000 Pakistani prisoners of war detained in India greeted United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim when he arrived here yesterday on a three-day visit.

Thousands of relatives of the P.O.W.s, chanting "Bring our brothers back" stopped and mobbed the Secretary-General's car as he left nearby Islamabad Airport after flying in from New Delhi.

Mr. Waldheim, who is on a tour of five Asian countries, was scheduled to call on President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto later yesterday. Last night he was the Pakistani leader's dinner guest.

Shouted slogans went up from the crowd as Mr. Waldheim, his wife and a small team of U.N. Secretariat officials stepped from the private jet aircraft which had

brought them from the Indian capital.

The Secretary-General appeared unperturbed by the din as he was introduced to Pakistani officials. In Geneva, the International Commission of Jurists yesterday criticised India and Bangladesh for refusing to repatriate 94,000 prisoners of war and civilian detainees.

An article in the independent jurists' journal, "The Review," said there was no justification in international law for their continued detention.

"India will not return them without the consent of Bangladesh, and Bangladesh will not consent until Pakistan recognizes the new state," it said.

"In this way the P.O.W.s are being used as a political bargaining counter, the very thing which the Geneva Convention (on prisoners of war) was designed to avoid."

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